## **JANUARY 1871**

# Sunday, January 1

Clear and cold. Went to meeting in the evening. George and Avans the Charlies and J. This evening feeling rather dry.

I spent fifteen cents for something to take.

And drank a pint for stomachs sake.

# Monday, January 2

No School today. Mr Billings has a grand new years ball tonight. Sold 108 tickets to the ball Snowing slightly this morning. Had a good evening for the ball.

### Tuesday, January 3

Went to school today. A. P. tended horses for C. D. Billings last night.

# Wednesday, January 4

Went to School today. Lina Coose is 14 today.

### Saturday, January 7

Helen Cross Lincolnville Helen Cross & Arno

#### Sunday, January 8

Composed a piece of poetry today entitled For South America We Are Bound.

# Monday, January 9

Went to School today.

# Tuesday, January 10

Paid J Mathews 35 cts for this Diary. All written in this Diary previous to this date is noted down from memory. the following blank spaces I neglected to note down till I forgot.

# Friday, January 13

Father bought a horse today of J. D. Tucker. Signed to go to dancing this evening.

#### Saturday, January 14

Herbert Heal 23 today. Ella Mathews is 19 today.

Sunday, January 15

Composed a poem entitled A Tribute to Nancie this evening.

#### Tuesday, January 17

Squally in the morning pleasant in the evening. Emma A. Knight is 21 today. Went to dancing school in the evening.

# Friday, January 20

Composed a piece of poetry today entitled *Charley and Cora*. Went to dancing school in the evening had a good time.

### Saturday, January 21

Warm and cloudy. Went to Dean town in the evening with Charley B. and Charley Knight. Had a new overcoat today.

The bottle was full, we drank it dry.

Our troubles all were over.

We shouted how is this for high

And wished we had some more.

# Sunday, January 22

Cold and windy a great change in the weather since last night. Joseph Wiley is over here today.

#### Monday, January 23

The Thermometer is fifteen degrees below zero this morning. Went to School today.

### Tuesday, January 24

The Thermometer is 10 degrees below zero this morning. Went to Dancing School this evening. snowing slightly and quite cold. Joseph Wiley went to Belfast today to have his trial.

#### Wednesday, January 25

Charles Drake is 24 today. Some warmer But growing cold.

#### Thursday, January 26

The Thermometer is 15 degrees below zero again today. I and Gertie got mad with each other. I wonder how long before she will speak to me again.

#### Friday, January 27

Snowing today, cleared up suddenly in the afternoon. Went to Dancing S. this evening. danced by ticket altogether had an indifferent time.

# Saturday, January 28

Quite moderate today compared to what it has been. Warren Robinson got a load of apples here today.

# Sunday, January 29

Snowing slightly today.

## Monday, January 30

Clear and warm today. Hauled some firewood today the first we have hauled for the winter. Went up to John Crosses in the evening, engaged Helen Cross to go to dancing School with me. Went to Singing School after I came back.

## Tuesday, January 31

Warm and misty. hauled some more firewood today But the sledding is about used up. Rained a little the first of the evening. No dancing school tonight. Total expenses for the month \$1.50

#### **FEBRUARY 1871**

# Wednesday, February 1

Clear and warm, sledding entirely gone. Went to School today. Had a few games of euchre in the evening to Charley Knight's residence. It is so warm and pleasant I hate to go home. it seems like April.

#### Thursday, February 2

Cloudy this morning. Built a fire at the Schoolhouse this morning.

### Friday, February 3

Went to school today. Cool and blustery in the morning, pleasant in the evening. Carried Helen Cross to dancing school tonight. had an extra. paid half of the tuition bill. 5 cts for candy.

### Saturday, February 4

Cold and Windy this morning and growing colder. Went to the Auction tonight. Paid twenty cents for a pair of braces.

### Sunday, February 5

The thermometer is 12 degrees below zero today. Seldom Wiley staid with me tonight.

## Monday, February 6

The Thermometer is 8 degrees below this morning. Went to Singing School this evening. Handed Gertie an apple which she received without speaking.

# Tuesday, February 7

Quite a pleasant day. George went to school with me this forenoon. Went to Dancing School this evening. Carried Helen and Ella Watson tonight. paid 25 cts for an extra, 15 cts for candy.

# Wednesday, February 8

Quite a warm overcast day. Went to School this forenoon. Went over to the corner at noon. George Crawford gave me a dinner. Those Auction men came back today. I and Alpheus went over to school about two o Clock.

# Thursday, February 9

Quite a fall of snow last night, warm and Cloudy today. went up to singing school a few minutes this evening.

### Friday, February 10

Clear and windy today but not very cold. Hauled up some firewood today, nice sledding in the road. Went to dancing School this evening. Paid 25 cts for an extra. got home at three o clock. spent 10 cts for candy.

# Saturday, February 11

This is the day the Millerites of Massachusetts have set as the great day of judgment. Hauled up some more firewood today. Went to the Auction in the evening. cold and windy.

# Sunday, February 12

Cloudy today, looks like a snowstorm. Carried the girls on a short ride this afternoon, snowed quite hard before we got back.

### Monday, February 13

Hauled some more firewood today. Went to singing school in the evening.

### Tuesday, February 14

Commenced to haul kiln wood today over the meadow. In the evening went to dancing School, carried Helen and Fannie this night, had a very good time But no extra. spent five cents for candy. looked very much like a storm when I came home. wind northeast.

### Wednesday, February 15

Clear and warm. Hauled more kiln wood today. Henry Norton, Mrs. Westb. Knight and Warren Robinson were here this evening, also A. A. and C. W. Knight. Read some letters from Clarence to his mother, also from Fred  $\underline{P}$ .

# Thursday, February 16

Cloudy this morning, commenced snowing about ten oClock. Hauled one load of kiln wood this forenoon.

#### Friday, February 17

Clear and very pleasant. Hauling wood over the meadow today. Went to dancing School this evening. <u>drained</u> Gertie by ticket, didnt dance with her. had a conversation with Nancie & Winnie. Staid to the extra but did'nt dance. spent five cts for candy.

#### Saturday, February 18

Arno

Storming hard today, rains and blows. Wrote a letter to Clarence today. Had a slight flirtation with Roxy Bragg last night. [Circled:] Roxana written to her after their Fathers death.

### Sunday, February 19

Clear and quite pleasant today

## Monday, February 20

This is a very pleasant day. I went to school today. Ella Drake and Ella Pottle were in school this afternoon. I went to Singing school this evening. Gertie spoke to me today. 26 days since we have spoken together. She said she'd never speak first but she did.

#### Tuesday, February 21

This is another pleasant day. cutting wood to the door today. Charley Milliken was turned out of School yesterday. I pitied him, he seemed to feel so bad about it. No dancing school tonight.

# Wednesday, February 22

C. H. B. is 18 today 22nd

Clear and Pleasant. Went to Dancing School. Carried Helen Cross & Fannie K. Danced all night. carried my partners to Supper. paid one dollar for Supper, 26 cts for the extra, ten cts for candy, total one dollar 35 cts.

## Thursday, February 23

Clear and pleasant. cutting wood to the door today. Mrs Robinson is here this evening. Father was over to dancing School last night. Did'nt dance much last night. Talking with Nancie & Winnie mostly.

### Friday, February 24

This is a clear and very warm day. cutting wood to the door. Went to dancing School tonight. No extra. Foggy and misty, almost rains. Danced a Spanish with Nancie tonight. spent five cts for candy. Carried E. Watson home from Crosses.

# Saturday, February 25

Clear and warm. the snow is about all gone and still thawing. Carrie Thomas came home yesterday. she was over to dancing school last night. Helen told what John French said about me last night. The night Henry K had his serenade \_ant P mad [was?] promised not to tell she told me, but be careful John.

#### Sunday, February 26

Warm and pleasant. Avans and Charley went to Belfast today. [Illegible] & George called on Carrie this evening. Mary Robinson & Frank Rankins were there also.

## Monday, February 27

Raining this morning. Cleared up in the afternoon. A very pleasant evening overhead but very muddy. Singing School tonight. Played euchre up to Charley Knight's tonight.

# Tuesday, February 28

Sylvanus Coose is 42 today, 28th.

Windy this morning but not very cold. Went to dancing School tonight. Had quite an adventure. Paid C. D. Billings \$1.50 cts for tuition, 25 cts for the extra, ten cts. for candy, total 1.85. Total expenses for the month \$5.13.

### **MARCH 1871**

### Wednesday, March 1

Snowing hard this morning. Alfreda Mahoney staid with Fannie last night. She wants to get home but she will have to wait till this storm ceases.

# Thursday, March 2

Hauling hay from the old to the new barn. Warm and pleasant. Carried some apples to mill for cider. Went to singing School this evening. Had rather a dull School appointed a concert for mondy night.

# Friday, March 3

Warm and cloudy. cutting wood to the door this forenoon. Raining this afternoon. Went to School this afternoon as it was the last day of school. Mr Hodges made a few brief though appropriate remarks at the close of School. no dancing School tonight.

# Saturday, March 4

Warm and pleasant cutting Wood to the door today. Frank Calderwood and his Belfast friends were over last night expecting to go to the winding up of the dancing School But missed of it. they went back this morning.

#### Sunday, March 5

Quite pleasant again today though a little windy. George C, Charles K, and A. W. K — the writer went gunning today. Went to the corner after dinner.

# Monday, March 6

Foggy and windy blowing from the southeast. Went to dancing School, this is the last night. Carried Helen to Supper. spent one dollar and 40 cents tonight. Got home at five o clock Tuesday morning. Had a fair time. Cost of going to dancing school \$1.33.

### Tuesday, March 7

Clear and cold this morning. arose at 7½ o clock this morning. Cutting wood at the door but feel rather dull. Carrie Thomas is here this afternoon. while I am writing this tells me to note down a lot of love. Gave me some verses entitled *I Love You*. Warren R. is here tonight.

#### Wednesday, March 8

Warm and pleasant. Cutting wood to the door. Went to the corner in the evening. Dark and foggy when I came home.

# Thursday, March 9

Thick and foggy cutting wood to the door. Went to the entertainment given by Ducello's minstrel Troupe, paid 25 cts for the same. Had a dance afterwards at Billing's hall. Staid till two Oclock but did'nt dance. Escorted N. A. D. to hall.

### Friday, March 10

Warm and foggy. Heard the Robins singing and saw six flocks of wild Geese flying north. Seems quite springlike. Cutting wood to the door. Broke away in the forenoon and san shone bright & warm. Clouded up again at night and rained quite hard at dark.

# Saturday, March 11

Foggy. Sun shone forth quite pleasant in the middle of the day. Clouded up and rained about six o clock. cutting wood at the door. Charles W. Knight went to Belfast today.

# Sunday, March 12

Foggy as usual this morning But broke away quite early, although there is quite a strong southerly wind which is rather disagreeable. Received a letter from Clarence Knight yesterday.

### Monday, March 13

Clear and pleasant. Went to Town meeting today. Wm. K. Duncan, Wm. H. Hodges Selectmen for the 5th term. earned one dollar waiting upon Avans and William Knight today. Went to the corner in the evening.

#### Tuesday, March 14

Clear and warm cutting wood today. Went down to Colemans store to a dance in the evening. Went Home with Becky Bragg. Had a very good time.

## Wednesday, March 15

Samson Knight 61 today, 15th.

Pleasant and springlike cutting wood. Went up to Frank <u>Russ'es singing School this evening in Company with J. Mathews & Avans.</u> Charley B. went home with C. Clark.

#### Thursday, March 16

Clear in the morning. Clouded up in the afternoon, the fog very thick in the evening. Staid with Charley Billings tonight. cutting wood today. Read some of Charleys love letters tonight.

### Friday, March 17

Mrs. Ruth Coose is 23 today 17th

Foggy and misty. cutting wood to the door today. Went up to William McKinney's tonight with E Jones, C Billing's & Wm McKinney Jr. Played euchre.

### Saturday, March 18

Clear and warm this morning. cutting wood at the door. Went up to Gideon Towers to a party this evening. Had a very good time. got home at half past twelve.

### Sunday, March 19

Warm pleasant and spring-like. Feel rather lonesome. Loafed around the corner in the afternoon and evening. Gertie Adams called in a few minutes while on her way down to Colonel Halls.

#### Monday, March 20

Clear with a cold northeast wind. cutting wood at the door. Went to the corner in the evening. Had two rides horseback today. The horse tried to run away with me in the morning ride.

#### Tuesday, March 21

Cold northeast rain storm today. obliged to keep housed in consequence of the storm most of the time. Passed away the time in reading, writing & eating.

## Wednesday, March 22

Clear and cold. cutting wood at the door. Went to the corner in the evening. Wrote a letter to Clarence today.

# Thursday, March 23

Clear in the morning, hazy in the afternoon, looks like warm springlike weather. Splitting logs in the woods. Went to the corner in the evening.

# Friday, March 24

Clear and cold and windy. Went up to John Crosses in the evening to a party. Carried Fan & Ida Drake. Had a good time, a bad cold, and a sore throat. Got home at 2½ o clock.

### Saturday, March 25

Cool and windy. Splitting logs in the woods. went to the corner in the evening played euchre at the bar room. Alpheus Went to Belfast today.

### Sunday, March 26

Cool and windy. Carrie Thomas is here this afternoon, also Gertie Adams, Nathan Young, George

Crawford, and Joel McKinney.

### Monday, March 27

A fierce northeast snowstorm today. Alpheus came over in the evening, played euchre. Ruth Drake is today 57 years old.

#### Tuesday, March 28

Clear and quite cool. Hauling kiln-wood today. C. D. Billings had a dance this evening. Alpheus and my Royal self came home at eleven oclock. Did'nt dance. A. P. danced. got home at 2 o clock.

# Wednesday, March 29

Coldest night since March came in last night.

Clear cold and windy. Hauled kiln-wood to Warners kilns in the forenoon. Went to the residence of S. Jones to a euchre party in the even. Escorted N. A. D. home couldn't unlock the door.

# Thursday, March 30

Clear and warm. The Sun was so dazzling that I put on a pair of green glasses. Cutting dry cord wood at the door. Went down to Carrie Thomas'es in the evening, played euchre and other things.

### Friday, March 31

Clear and rather cooler than yesterday. cutting dry cord wood again today. this evening staid to home like a good boy as I am. Wrote the events of the week since Mondy to the present time in my Diary and retired early.

# **APRIL 1871**

# Saturday, April 1

Warn and pleasant in the morning, chilly in the afternoon. Cut a little more dry cord wood. Went to the corner in the evening. Archibald got angry with me. Came home at 8 o'clock.

### Sunday, April 2

Cloudy, wind N. E., looks like storm. Mattie Dyer and Frank Rankins were here this afternoon, and Gertie Adams.

## Monday, April 3

Warm and pleasant. Confined to the house most of the day with a headache and cold. A. P. and G. A. Knight went down to Aunt Ruths to a euchre party in the evening. Wrote a note to Nancie and had to be contented with that.

### Tuesday, April 4

Warm and showery. Feel a little better today, no headache but a worrying cough. Composed and wrote a poem entitled *Lines to Helen*.

## Wednesday, April 5

Clear and cooler. Cough continues to worry me. Spent my time in reading and writing. A. D. went to a euchre party at the residence of S. Page.

# Thursday, April 6

Cold and winy. Some better but unable to do much work. Received \$1.40 cts of Wm. Mathews for chickens. Went to Nat Youngs to a party this evening. Good time.

#### Friday, April 7

Very warm and springlike. Took away a brush and banking. Went over to Sile Jones's with Elisha. Had a few games of euchre. N. A. & P. R. Drake were present & W. Milliken.

#### Saturday, April 8

Another warm and pleasant day. Father and A. D. went to Camden. Taking away a little brush and banking. Went to B. Noyes's residence To a party. Indifferent time.

# Sunday, April 9

Cloudy. Went to the corner this forenoon. Called on Carrie and Nancie in Company with J. McKinney. Aunt Ruth & Ella came home while we were there. C. W. K. came over last night.

#### Monday, April 10

Clear and pleasant. Splitting logs in the woods. Father bought The Book entitled *how to make the farm pay*. Went up to Stover [Steve?] Heals to a party.

#### Tuesday, April 11

Snowing this morning. Charles Knight Started for Belfast this morning. Raining the afternoon. A. A. Knight came over this evening, played Eucre.

# Wednesday, April 12

Cloudy and showery. Party up to J. Moodys this evening. A. P. Went up in company of H. Heal Who was going to see Helen home But did'nt much. A. A. & A. W. came home at 8. oclock.

# Thursday, April 13

Cloudy this morning but soon cleared up, warm and pleasant. Splitting logs in the woods this forenoon. played ball in the afternoon. Went to J. Lambs in the evening, good time.

# Friday, April 14

Clear warm and pleasant. G. Russ was here on business also C. Drake. N. Young and Leach the wool dealer played ball from sunset till dark. A. A. went home with Carrie tonight.

## Saturday, April 15

Cloudy. splitting logs in the woods this forenoon. showery this afternoon. Played Euchre last night at the residence of R. Knight. a small company were present.

#### Sunday, April 16

Picked some mayflowers in bloom today, the 16th. Pleasant this morning, chilly this afternoon. J. McKinney and his Imperial majesty A. W. Knight seeking to know the past and unveil the future they sought in vain. went a piece with Gertie.

# Monday, April 17

Showery. Father went Down to Sylvanes. Splitting logs in the woods this afternoon. Went down to Sile Jones's in the evening to a euchre party. Lively dispute with Ida Drake.

# Tuesday, April 18

Clear and quite pleasant. finished splitting logs in the woods today. Went up to Nat Young's to a party. H. Heal, E. Jones, A. P., J. Mc., Chas. B., and A. W.

Three pints did buy

For all agreed that they were dry

15cts Mrs. Young made me a present tonight.

# Wednesday, April 19

Mrs. Rose J. Mills is 20 today, 19th.

Clear and pleasant. Finished taking away banking today. A. P. & J. Mc. went out to Oliver Jackson's. Silver eyes told J. Mc.'s fortune. Went to the corner this evening. General A. W. marched his brigade through the city. Cheered the Mayor & Belle of the city.

## Thursday, April 20

Raining, wind N.E. Stowed away the Sleds and sleigh this forenoon. A. A. went to Belfast yesterday, bought a plough. Warren Robinson was up here yesterday gave us a fresh cod for dinner. 3 years today, the 20th, since Clarence left Lincolnville.

### Friday, April 21

Clear and warm. Went to camden. Bought 21 new york apple and pear trees. buried a pig after J. came back. Went to a party at Billings hall. good time marched out my militia previous to going into the hall.

## Saturday, April 22

Clear and pleasant. Set out the New York trees & buried the steer. Went to the corner in the evening.

#### Sunday, April 23

Mary E. Knight aged 9 years today. Cold and squally. Charley Billings cut my hair. E. Jones treated. A. P. carried Carrie Thomas on a ride.

#### Monday, April 24

Clear and Cold. Mattie Fernald was over yesterday. Cutting apple tree brush. Father and A. P. fixing up fence.

#### Tuesday, April 25

Southerly wind but quite pleasant. Planted a few hills of Early Rose Potato, <u>Garget</u> seed, etc. Fixing up fence. Nellie Cross 16 today.

# Wednesday, April 26

Clear and cold. <u>Staking</u> up and setting out apple and shade trees. Went to the corner this evening. Drummed a tune for Amanda's benefit, gave us something to remember her by.

## Thursday, April 27

Clear and cold. Father went down to Sylvanes Pulling corn roots. A. P. harnessed the black colt, broke the shaft and harness. Went to the corner this evening.

### Friday, April 28

Raining. Wm. H. Knight went to Belfast after the remains of Nathan Knight. Went to the corner this evening. called on Carrie in Company with A. A. Knight. Had a good time.

### Saturday, April 29

Raining and misty. Starting hay from one barn to the other.

### Sunday, April 30

Cloudy in the morning, showery. Went out to see Silver-eyes. Carried Joel McKinney out with me. Paid him fifty cents for telling my fortune. Told things of the past I know are true. The future, time will tell.

#### **MAY 1871**

#### Monday, May 1

School commenced today May 1st.

Warm and pleasant. fixing up fences. Afternoon went on a ride with C. Drake. Went to John Crosses, from there to camden. Went to dance. Treated H.H. and E. J. Spent one dollar. H.H. treated me.

#### Tuesday, May 2

Got home 25 minutes of 5 oclock this morning. Went to bed and laid till quarter of 7. Went to fixing up fences. Saw and spoke to R. Bragg yesterday. Cool and cloudy.

# Wednesday, May 3

Cool and cloudy. fixing up fences. Went to the corner this evening. M. Robinson, C. Thomas, A. Aldene & A. P. K. Went hanging May baskets. H. H. and C. Billings and myself ran in ahead of them and knocked.

## Thursday, May 4

Cool and cloudy. Father went down to Sylvane's to do some ploughing. Commenced to rain and snow about 4 oclock P.M. H. H. Treated last night And we knocked at most every house to the corner.

#### Friday, May 5

Snowed and rained all last night and raining hard today. The ground is white with snow today. Wm. H Knights wife presented him with a girl this morning. Wrote a letter to Clarence this evening.

#### Saturday, May 6

Cloudy this morning, broke away in the afternoon and sun shone out quite pleasant. Laying wall in the afternoon. Carried Mrs. A. S. out to Searsmont to see silver eyes. Wasn't at home.

## Sunday, May 7

Lina Coose Died May 7th. E. d 14 yrs. 4 mos. 3 days.

Cold and foggy. Carrie Thomas and Ida Drake were up here this afternoon. Plagued Carrie about the Rockport beauties. C. Gould and A. Mahoney were out with the Billings girls.

# Monday, May 8

Carrie Thomas went to Rockport today, 8th. Cold and windy. Laying wall on the Lane. A. P. got the horse shod. Major <u>B</u>ills informed us of the death of Lina Coose. Silvereyes foretold her death when telling my fortune.

# Tuesday, May 9

Thus it seems he has the gift of foretelling what is to come. Part has already come to pass, the rest waits for time to show the result. Went to Linas funeral. Ida Drake got her nose cut. Cold and windy.

## Wednesday, May 10

Pleasant this morning, froze ice in a pail last night. Starting hay and ploughing this forenoon, the first we have ploughed for the Season. Squally this afternoon and raining hard. Uncle Samson traded oxen today. <u>Got</u> one hurt yesterday.

## Thursday, May 11

Warm and pleasant. Splitting corn rows this forenoon. Frank Russ was down here to perform a surgical operation. Father got the oxen shod this afternoon. A. P. and myself took up and set out an elm tree.

## Friday, May 12

Warmest day yet. Ploughed our wheat ground today, turned our cattle out to pasture yesterday first time for the season. Staid at home tonight. Haint I getting steady.

### Saturday, May 13

Cold and windy. Sowed our wheat today. went to the corner this evening. indebted to H. H., for which he has my thanks and for which he shall have something more substantial when I have it in my power.

# Sunday, May 14

Cold and windy. Gertie came up today. Alpheus carried her back. Went to the corner this evening. H. H., E. P., A. P., and A. W. Sat under A. J.'s steps. Aubry Coose one year old today.

# Monday, May 15

Clear and pleasant. Planting Early <u>Rose</u>. Went down to Wm H. Hodges. got a peck of peerless Potatoes, gave us some King of Earlys for which he has out thanks. Planted some Prolific.

# Tuesday, May 16

Warmer today. Southerly wind after noon. planted our Peerless & King of Earlys. plowed the wing above the orchard. S. Colman bought a load of meadow hay yesterday and also today.

# Wednesday, May 17

Raining this morning. Cleared away about nine oclock. Ploughed our corn ground. Saved a few Peas. Cool and windy. Set out a wild Pear tree.

# Thursday, May 18

This is the birthday of Delania and Fannie Knight. The former aged 52. The latter 16 years. Sylvanus Coose is helping us plant our corn today. Warm and pleasant.

### Friday, May 19

Warm and pleasant. S. Coose helped us today Breaking up with Side hill plow and planting corn.

#### Saturday, May 20

Warmest day of the week. Planting corn and potatoes. Was rather tired and staid at home this evening. A. P. went to the corner. Life of <u>man</u> was plenty.

### Sunday, May 21

Hottest day yet. Charley Billings and my-self went out to black brook trouting. Father and S. Coose went to Hope. Gertie was up here today. Saw E. D <u>ay en</u> did'nt speak to her. Went to the corner this evening.

# Monday, May 22

A. E. S. began school at Slab City May 22nd. Foggy this morning. Broke away and was quite warm. father went to S. Coose's. A. P. and myself planted potatoes. Put up a <u>spedler</u> [pedler?] tonight.

# Tuesday, May 23

Showered last night, and came off quite cold today. Staid with C. Billings last night. Planting Beans today. C. Billings and myself called on N. A. & J. E. Drake last night. M. <u>C</u>. & E. M. <u>were</u> also present .went on a ride tonight, 23.

#### Wednesday, May 24

Cold and windy. planting our garden. went to the corner. C. Billings and myself went on a walk. knocked at Alonzos door. <a href="stoned Dels barn">stoned Dels barn</a>. Took S. Howards wagon, went on a ride. S was mad.

#### Thursday, May 25

Cold and windy. planting garden seeds. went to the corner. saw N. A. & J. E. Drake. spoke with N. E., J. A. did not speak. E. Jones was down tonight. C. R. was over today. Had the Blues.

# Friday, May 26

Very hot but for a westerly wind. finished our garden and consequently our planting is done. plowed the lane for fodder corn. Staid at home this evening writing in my diary.

### Saturday, May 27

Cool and windy. Hauling kiln wood. A. P. helped A. A. plant potatoes. went to the corner. quite a company assembled at aunt Ruths. <u>I</u>. E. played and sang. adjourned to the Temperance hall.

### Sunday, May 28

Cloudy and cool, sprinkled in the forenoon. H. H. & E. J. treated me last night. A. P. treated them. C. B. went to Camden last night, got home at light this morning. Went on a short ride with A. P. & E. J.

## Monday, May 29

Thermometer 88 degrees in the shade. Hauling kilnwood. Washed sheep. N. A. Drake began school teaching in the Lovett district.

### Tuesday, May 30

Thermometer 95 degrees in the shade. Hauling kilnwood. A. P. went trouting. Father went to Camden, carried R. C. & baby. Had a thunder shower about 7 oclock P. M.

### Wednesday, May 31

Cloudy. finished hauling kilnwood. turned the horse out to pasture. went to the corner. staid with C. D. B. all night. C. B. treated before retiring. bought a pig of  $\underline{F}$ . Russ.

#### **IUNE 1871**

# Thursday, June 1

Clear and warm. Cleaning the cellar. R. C. and baby are here today. A. A. went to Belfast. C. B. carried Amanda and her <u>Al fer di nker</u> Deal to Belfast. went to the corner (Done it)

#### Friday, June 2

S. C., W. H., & A. P. went trouting. E. S. is here making a dress for mother. Thermometer at 95 in the shade.

#### Saturday, June 3

Thermometer 99 in the shade. Carried the Jerseys down to S. C.'s pasture. Went in swimming first time this season. H. H., E. J., A. P., W. M., & A. W. went on a ride, 30 cts it cost me for the necessary key.

#### Sunday, June 4

Thermometer at 90 in the shade. Received a letter from Clarence yesterday. C. B. & myself went in swimming. Staid with C. B. tonight, gave me a sleeping tonic.

# Monday, June 5

Cooler. working on the road for C. D. B. S. Coose sheared our sheep. Staid at home this evening. Seven years ago today since C. R. Knight was laid beneath sod. How brief a time does it seem.

#### Tuesday, June 6

Warm and clear. To work on the highway for C. D. B. George Crawford came home today. Went to the city this evening.

## Wednesday, June 7

Foggy with a little rain in the afternoon. sowed our fodder corn. Went to the city, played Ball. Walked up to <u>Nate's</u> with Will K. & A. P. Had fifty cts of cordial to ease the feet.

# Thursday, June 8

Got home about 4 Oclock this morning. E. J. brought us to the foot of the hill. only 50 cts out last night. didnt dance with a lady and only danced twice for the night. Had a short talk with E. W. Was in hopes to see [blotted] H. C.

## Friday, June 9

Clear and fine. Bought some vine protectors of James Pottle, also a hogshead of sugar of B. Robinson. sprouting potatoes this afternoon. Went to the corner. saw N. A. D. J. Mathews brought her home. (played Ball)

# Saturday, June 10

Clear with a southerly wind. C. O. Shepherd cut his throat about 4 Oclock P.M. Died about  $8\frac{1}{2}$  Oclock this evening. Temperance lecture this evening. Went in company of N. A. D. and A. E. S. who came home this evening with Miles Fuller.

### Sunday, June 11

Cloudy & foggy. Staid with C. B. last night.

He cut the pie and filled the cup.

You have a piece he said

Thank you <u>I'll</u> drink the contents up.

And then we'll go to bed.

A. A. carried N. A. up. R Martins & Gertie down to Halls.

### Monday, June 12

Raining. Went to meeting yesterday, to prayer meting last night. Wrote a letter to Clarence today. F. L. C. was over yesterday. Went to the Beach to a dance with C. D. B. & C. B. Jr. Spent 65 cts.

## Tuesday, June 13

Got home at 2 Oclock. Staid with C. B. the rest of the night. Cool and squally with a thunder shower afternoon. Went to C. O. Shepard's funeral afternoon.

# Wednesday, June 14

Cool & Squally. Went to Belfast with a load of Potatoes. Called on Charley Knight & F.  $\underline{L}$ . C. Went to the corner this evening. Spent 13 cts.

#### Thursday, June 15

Clear & cool forenoon. Squally afternoon. Hoeing corn. Went up to Nat Young's tonight, got some tomato plants.

#### Friday, June 16

A. P. went to Belfast with a load of potatoes. Planted our garden over again, and hoeing corn. Very warm in forenoon. Showered most of afternoon. D. P. treated. Staid with C. Billings tonight.

# Saturday, June 17

Clear & cool. hoeing corn & potatoes. A. Hosmer and wife here today. went to the corner this evening. N. A. D. came home tonight A. E. S. came last night.

## Sunday, June 18

Clear & quite warm. Meeting and singing today — did'nt attend either. Gertie was up today. Commenced to rain some about five O clock P.M.

## Monday, June 19

Cloudy. Ariel Hosmer is here today, his father took the Ayrshire heifer on trial. commenced to mow some around the house.

# Tuesday, June 20

Clear and warm. Amisy Hosmer got a load of hay here today. Mowing & hoeing.

# Wednesday, June 21

Clear and pleasant. Mowing below the barn forenoon, hoeing potatoes afternoon. Went to the corner, C. H. B. treated me.

#### Thursday, June 22

Clear and cool. Warren Robinson, wife, and child, are here today. Got our wagon out tonight. A. P., C. H. B. and myself went down to colonel Halls this eve.

### Friday, June 23

Clear and cool. Hoeing potatoes and to work on the hay. Went to the corner this evening. Treated D. P., C. H. B. treated me. Staid with him all night, laid on one of Abells spring beds.

## Saturday, June 24

Warm and hazy. Father went to Rockland. Carried mother and Emma. Went to the corner. called on N. A. D. Staid with C. H. B. tonight.

### Sunday, June 25

Clear and hot. A. P. carried C. H. B. to the Lake house. Har<u>b</u>ell and wife are here today. also M. J. Tower and Gertie Adams. Carried N. A. D. up to Richard martins. Hezekiah Heal buried today, 25th.

# Monday, June 26

Warm and hazy. finished hoeing our potatoes today. [Crossed-out sentence.] Uncle Samson having one side of his upper barn shingled. Shinglers A. A. & J. L.

# Tuesday, June 27

Clear and warm. Put the hay rack together and hauled in a couple loads of hay. Staid home last night and also tonight. Father seemed much surprised at such unusual steadiness.

#### Wednesday, June 28

Clear and windy this morning. Cultivated our corn second time today. Showery this afternoon. Went to the corner this evening.

# Thursday, June 29

Foggy and warm with showers afternoon. Went to the corner this eve. Staid with C. H. B. all night. He said, I want a piece of pie.

Walk in while I eat some.

If you wont eat, of course your dry,

So have a glass of rum.

#### Friday, June 30

Clear and cool. A. P., the girls, and E. Stetson went down to the circus. Staid at home hoeing corn, my time is to come. Went to the corner.

Says <u>I</u>, H.H. it is my treat Let us our glasses drain All right says he and now its mine Let us go back again.

# **JULY 1871**

### Saturday, July 1

Clear and pleasant. Finished hoeing. Father bought a mowing machine. Carried N. A. D. on a ride. A. E. Stetson came home tonight.

# Sunday, July 2

Clear and windy. C. W. K. came home today. Went up to John Crosses. Carried Nellie on a ride. Had a fine time. Sarah Tower, G. Adams & C. K. were here this afternoon.

#### Monday, July 3

Clear and hot. Weeding the garden. Went to the corner. Treated E. J.

## Tuesday, July 4

Clear and warm. E. J. treated. Carried Nellie Cross to the grove this afternoon. Had a fine time. Carried her and E. Watson to the dance this evening. Carried E. W. to supper. Nellie didnt go. Got mad with each other and had a disagreeable time. Rained quite hard when we went home. Came back and treated E. J. Had a confidential talk with him. got home at half past four. Cost me 42 cts besides breaking a wheel tire, getting wet, Nellie mad with me. what a splendid fourth.

### Thursday, July 6

Clear and warm. Mowing in the orchard a little. E. J. and myself carried Ida's organ home yesterday afternoon, got her to play for us. E. J. shipped for Florida today.

## Friday, July 7

Foggy this morning, broke away early and was very . Had a smart thunder shower about one O clock P.M. Went up to see Nellie this afternoon. Took a short ride. Called on E. Watson. Didn't get home till daylight.

## Saturday, July 8

Clear and cool. finished mowing upper orchard and raked it up. tried the mowing machine today. Went to the corner this evening etc. A. E. Stetsons School finished today. Etta Mathews is 15 today.

## Sunday, July 9

Clear and hot this morning. Went up to John Cross'es this afternoon. met quite a company there sprinkled a little. S & I put my horse up and stopped to tea. Carried Nellie down to Melvins after tea. Bought 15 cts worth of candy.

# Monday, July 10

Clear and warm. William H. K. commenced work to dy. Done the first mowing with the machine today. J. R. commenced work for S. K. today.

### Tuesday, July 11

Cloudy. Hauled in a couple loads of hay this morning as it looked quite likely to rain. Mowed about 3/4 of an acre with the machine. W. H. K. worked this forenoon.

### Wednesday, July 12

Rained a little last night. Foggy this morning. Cleared away and was quite a hot day. Got the oxen shod. Sowed some turnip seed. Escorted Gertie Adams home tonight in the shade.

### Thursday, July 13

Clear and hot <u>90°</u> in the shade. Hauled in four loads of hay today. E. Churchill commenced work today for Uncle Samson.

#### Friday, July 14

Clear and hot. Hauled in four loads of hay today. Fog came in quite thick at night. Hannah & Florence Tower were here visiting this after noon. C. H. B. went to Belfast today to work.

## Saturday, July 15

Clear and warm. Hauled a couple loads of hay to the barn. Mrs. McIntyer and adopted daughter came here on a visit this afternoon. G. C. & C. W. <u>C</u>. came over tonight. Haven't been to the corner since last Sunday till tonight.

#### Sunday, July 16

Clear and warm. Went on a ride with G. C. last night. Wrote a letter to Nellie. Mrs. Harvey went down to Mrs. Hodges's. Went to the corner this evening. Samsons crew are haying today.

#### Monday, July 17

Clear and pleasant. Hauled in a couple loads of hay. Mrs. McIntyer went away today. Married this evening by F. B. Dunton: Miss Ella Mathews of Lincolnville to Mr. Fitzroy Cudworth of Boston.

#### Tuesday, July 18

Clear and pleasant But rather a poor hay day. Hauled in four loads of hay.

## Wednesday, July 19

Clear and pleasant. Had quite a smart shower last night. Hauled in 3 loads of hay. W. H. K. mowed a garden for Wm. Mathews this morning.

### Thursday, July 20

Foggy and showery. No haying today. Went to the corner this evening.

#### Friday, July 21

Clear and warm. Hauled 3 loads of hay.

## Saturday, July 22

Foggy this morning. sun shone middle of the day But was poor hay weather as there was a fresh breeze from the east. worked part of the day. Hauled 2 loads of hay. Received a letter from Clarence. Went to the corner, had a little dance at Billings Hall. C. H. B. got home last night. Staid with him all night.

## Sunday, July 23

Foggy this morning, broke away early. Uncle Samsons crew are haying today. Paid A. C. Mathews 45 cts for a note Book.

### Monday, July 24

Clear with the wind easterly. hauled two loads of hay.

# Tuesday, July 25

Clear with an easterly wind. Hauled two loads of hay.

#### Wednesday, July 26

Raining. Copied a letter in my merchant Book.

# Thursday, July 27

Foggy this morning. Wm. H. K. mowed for A. Piper this forenoon. broke away and was quite drying. Hauled in 3 loads of hay.

# Friday, July 28

Gertie Adams is 14 years old today. Foggy this morning. Hot and drying throug the day. W. Robinson Wife and child are here this afternoon.

# Saturday, July 29

Thick fog, no haying today. Ducello's Texan troupe arrived this morning. A. A. K. & J. L. went to Waterville this morning to see Barnums museum.

#### Sunday, July 30

Had a soaking rain last night. Foggy and warm today. A. A. & J. L. came home today. Went on a little ride with J. C. D.

## Monday, July 31

More rain this morning. Weeding the garden. Sold W. H. K. 7 chickens at 25 cts apiece on trust. Received payments Aug 24th, 1.75.

## **AUGUST, 1871**

#### Tuesday, August 1

Foggy went <u>up</u> to J. Lambs. back to the corner and went on a ride with C. H. B. A. E. S. was *[illegible]* here this afternoon.

#### Wednesday, August 2

Clear and warm. Commenced haying again today. N. Young hauled some hay off from the meadow for us this forenoon. Hauled in four loads today.

### Thursday, August 3

Clear and very warm. mowing and raking, no hay to haul in today.

# Friday, August 4

Clear and hot. J. Calderwood helped us today. Hauled in 5 loads of hay. Had a thunder shower between 6 & 7 P.M.

#### Saturday, August 5

Showery this morning. Clear and hot afternoon. J Calderwood had a dance in his woodshed tonight. A. P. tended for C. D. B. tonight. Received a letter from E. Jones, 5th.

## Sunday, August 6

Avans P. Knight is 18 years old today. Howard agent for the Boston cultivator put up here last night. S. Knight finished haying today.

## Monday, August 7

Clear and warm. finished mowing today. W. H. K. began work for N. Young. Howard left this morning.

### Tuesday, August 8

Cloudy and foggy. Hauled in two loads of hay which wound up our haying. Staid with C. H. B. tonight.

# Wednesday, August 9

Clear and cool. A. P. & A. A. went blueberrying today. Mr. Andrews and wife staid here last. Mrs. W. Knight, M. Stetson, and A. E. S. were here this afternoon.

## Thursday, August 10

Clear and cool. Received a letter from Nellie Cross and E. Jones yesterday. A.  $\underline{P}$ . worked for N. Young today. Commenced to cut spruces.

#### Friday, August 11

Warm and foggy. Hauled a load of alders for W. H. K. Staid with C. H. B. last night. Cutting spruces this afternoon.

# Saturday, August 12

Warm and sultry. Father and mother went to Belfast today. went to the corner. staid with C. H B. tonight.

### Sunday, August 13

Clear and cool. Advent {[Adventist?] nent [tent?] meeting at the Center today. Mrs. Cross, Nellie C., and Oscar Wiley were here today. Went down to the Lake House. carried D. Pearse down. D. treated on Ale.

# Monday, August 14

Clear and warm. cutting spruces. Father went out to Masons.

### Tuesday, August 15

Clear and hot. Father and A. P. went to Montville cutting spruces this afternoon. Staid with C. H. B. tonight. Mailed a letter to E. Jones tonight.

## Wednesday, August 16

Foggy and misty forenoon. Hauled a load of alders for W. H. K. this forenoon.

### Thursday, August 17

Clear and warm. W. H. K. helped us cut spruces afternoon.

### Friday, August 18

Clear and warm. mowed our wheat. Hauled a couple loads of alders. Went to South Hope in company of D. Pearse and C. H. B. Got home just before sunrise.

#### Saturday, August 19

Clear and cool. Had a thunder shower last night in which Jerry Richards barn was struck by lightning and burned down, also burning his house. Cutting spruces and raking wheat.

#### Sunday, August 20

Clear and cool. Went a piece with G. Adams tonight. Father and Mother went down to S. Coose's.

# Monday, August 21

Cloudy, looks very much like rain. Hauled in our wheat and burnt brush today.

### Tuesday, August 22

Clear and warm. Sold P. Ames 13 chickens for which I received \$3.64 cts. Also a couple to C. D. B. for which I received 50 cts.

## Wednesday, August 23

Clear and warm. mowing and raking brakes. Carried my goods to C. H. B. this evening.

#### Thursday, August 24

Foggy this morning. Clear & hot afternoon. A. P. carried Mrs. Adams and Susie to camp meeting. Paid J. Mathews 68 cts, owe him 50 more for little articles purchased of him today. Spent \$1.90 cts, one dollar ninety cts, tonight. Received 175 cts of W. H. K.

#### Friday, August 25

Clear and warm. went to the dance last night. Escorted G. Adams home. Started direct for Camden. A. A. K. came down loaned me \$7 dollars. Had a couple photographs taken, sent one in a letter to Parents. 90 cts at Camden.

#### Saturday, August 26

The other <u>day</u> Ella Watson to Nellie Cross. Arrived in Boston this morning. \$2.20 cts coming up. Half a dollar for a hack to the hartford & erie Station. One dollar and a quarter for Board & lodgings till monday morning. 15 cts for breakfast. 11 cts on the horsecar. Saw E. Whitney & N. <u>Ross.</u> 35 cts for one umbrella. \$100 [\$1.00?] for advertising. 30 cts for cutting hair & shaving. 5 cts for peaches.

## Sunday, August 27

Wrote a letter to Nellie Cross. Went up to the Common and over the public gardens. Saw G. True.

#### Monday, August 28

Rode over the City some with E. Whitney. spend 15 cts for peaches, 10 cts for lunch. Commenced work for B. S. Wright & Co today about 5 P.M.

# Tuesday, August 29

Has rained or sprinkled some every day since I arrived in Boston. Oscar Wiley called in to see me today.

# Wednesday, August 30

Rained hard today. C. H. B. commenced work for B. S. Wright today.

#### Thursday, August 31

Clear and Cool. E. Whitney & Nate Patterson were in the Office today.

# **SEPTEMBER 1871**

# Friday, September 1

Rode out about 2 miles with E. Whitney & N. P. this morning. Mary E. Billing commenced work in B. S. Wright Saloon today. loaned C. H. B. fifty cts. Owes me one dollar & twenty cts in all.

#### Saturday, September 2

Pleasant and fair today. Have had no chance to write home since I came here.

#### Sunday, September 3

Clear and pleasant. Commenced work at nine oclock and worked same as any other day only a great deal harder at night. Oscar Wiley called in again today.

### Monday, September 4

Clear and pleasant. Rose early, went out for a walk before breakfast. B. S. Wright knocked a man down and used him pretty rough tonight for refusing to pay his bills and calling him a liar.

# Tuesday, September 5

Clear and pleasant. rose about eight oclock. filled out my diary from Sunday up to the present time.

### Wednesday, September 6

Clear and pleasant. Went out to the depot with Redman this evening, got back at ten Oclock. Mame got a letter from <u>Caro</u> today. Said if Arno did'nt come home he would lose Helen.

#### Thursday, September 7

Clear and cool. worked down cellar this afternoon. Charles B. received a letter from Viola today.

# Friday, September 8

Clear and cool. My day off. Borrowed \$3.00 dollars of H. N. Bought a pair of fine shirts, paid \$3.50 cts. 30 cts for a box of collars, ten cts for getting shaved, 5 cts for a bottle of ink, 3 cts for apples.

### Saturday, September 9

Clear and cool. Nothing particular today. Wrote to Father and Mother and N. A. Drake last night.

### Sunday, September 10

Clear and pleasant. commenced a letter to A. A. Knight today. Had a large rusk here tonight.

# Monday, September 11

Clear and cool.

# Tuesday, September 12

Clear and pleasant. G. C. came here today. Was riding over the City with Redman today.

# Wednesday, September 13

Clear and pleasant. G. C. went to work 44 Congress St today. Received a letter from Nellie C. today.

#### Thursday, September 14

My day off today. Went over and had a talk with George. Wen $\underline{t}$  down on Willard St this evening. Saw M. R. and mother, also Ella  $\underline{Cudworth}$  today. Clear & pleasant.

#### Friday, September 15

Cloudy today. Wrote a letter to A. A. Knight, one to C. E. Knight, and commenced one to Nellie Cross last night. Set up till one Oclock writing. Had to be in the Office at eight this morning. C. H. B. went to the Theatre tonight, 15th.

## Saturday, September 16

Rained last night. Received a letter from A. P. & M. E. Knight this morning. Was busy finishing a letter to N. C. when I received it. Mailed 3 letters today. Mame got a letter from Caro today.

#### Sunday, September 17

Clear and pleasant. writing in my diary this morning. Went up to the Common with George Crawford.

## Monday, September 18

Great day in Boston. Laying of the corner stone of the Soldiers Monument. Grand Parade of firemen & and the Grand Army of the Republic. Clear and pleasant.

### Tuesday, September 19

Clear and pleasant. George Knight came here this morning. Went to the Lowd depot with him.

# Wednesday, September 20

Cloudy. Mayor Bills was here this afternoon. Received a letter from N. A. Drake & one from Sister Nellie.

## Thursday, September 21

Clear and pleasant.

# Friday, September 22

Clear and pleasant. G. N. C., C. H. B., and myself went to the Theatre tonight. Got two dollars from Mr. Fagy [illegible] tonight. Spent 50 cts.

### Saturday, September 23

Clear and pleasant. G. N. C. came here to work today for B. S. Wright. Paid the wash woman fifty cts tonight.

# Sunday, September 24

Wrote a letter to Sister Nellie this morning.

#### [Undated entry added along inside edge of page for Sept 22-24]

Lincolnville boys got wiped out the same night G. N. C., C. H. B., and myself went to the [illegible]

# Monday, September 25

Clear and pleasant. Oscar Wiley & Mayor Bills were in the office today. Charley who keeps the apple stand had a bloody knock down this afternoon.

### Tuesday, September 26

Bought a book on astrology this morning. Paid one dollar. Clear and pleasant. Had a shower at night.

### Wednesday, September 27

Hazy. Received a letter from A. A. Knight this morning. Was quite sick from a bad cold today. My afternoon off.

## Thursday, September 28

Cloudy. Wrote a letter to N. A. Drake last night & one business letter to Ben A. Goodnow & Co.

#### Friday, September 29

Rain and sunshine. New hand came to work in the Ladies Saloon today.

## Saturday, September 30

Clear and pleasant. Received letter from Fannie & Nellie today.

#### **OCTOBER 1871**

# Sunday, October 1

Clear & cool.

### Monday, October 2

Charley White left here the morning. Hiram Crawford came to work for B. S. Wright.

### Tuesday, October 3

Was sick abed today. A Gentleman gave me 25 cts. Received a letter from George Knight. Took a rum Sweat. Bought a bottle of <u>Cau</u>ice bitters 38 cts.

# Wednesday, October 4

Didnt work this forenoon. Saw and had a talk with H. Norton. spent 17cts. James Miller came here yesterday.

# Thursday, October 5

Clear and cool. Found one dime.

# Friday, October 6

Rainy. Mary E. Billings left today. James Miller returned to Belfast tonight. B. S. Wright & Co Had their Liquors seized today.

### Saturday, October 7

Received a letter N. A. Drake today. Received \$20.65 cts., twenty dollars and sixty five cents, of H. E. Willis. Put fifteen dollars in Mr Foggs keeping. Paid the washerwoman 45 cts.

## Sunday, October 8

Clear and cool. Went to the Parker House to see Mrs Cunningham, didnt see her. Went to dining Saloon, took coffee with her husband.

#### Monday, October 9

Clear and cool.

### Tuesday, October 10

Clear and cool. My day off. Bought a shaving set for one dollar sixty five cts. Paid H. Norton three dollars.

# Wednesday, October 11

Wrote to B. E. Tucker. Rainy

## Thursday, October 12

Rainy. Working in the Saloon.

#### Friday, October 13

Received a letter from C. E. Knight. Clear and cool. Had a large Ball rusk tonight.

### Saturday, October 14

Clear and pleasant. Paid 38 cts for a bottle of Atwoods bitters. C. H. Received a letter from Viola.

### Sunday, October 15

Clear and pleasant. Mary Billings was in this morning.

## Monday, October 16

Cool and cloudy. A Great day in Boston. Laying of Corner stone of the new Post Office. President Grant is present. Received the \$15 that Mr. Fogg took charge of.

# Tuesday, October 17

Clear and pleasant. B. Robinson called in to see us today. Wrote a letter to Mother. Loaned G. N. C. \$5 dollars yesterday.

### Wednesday, October 18

Hazy but quite pleasant. Henry Milliken & H. C. got discharged. My day off. Bought a pair of Calf boots. Paid \$4.75 cts.

#### Thursday, October 19

Wrote a letter to A. A. Knight. Went down to an Auction, bought a handkerchief, paid ten cts last night.

# Friday, October 20

#### Received a letter from C. E. Knight.

Clear and cool. H. C. was here this evening, and Henry Milliken.

### Saturday, October 21

Clear and cool.

#### Sunday, October 22

Warm and pleasant. Gus Robbins and Jim Miller were in today.

### Monday, October 23

Clear, warm and delightful. Bought half a pound of grapes, one dozen pears, and a couple of apples. Paid 15 cts.

### Tuesday, October 24

Arno W. Knight is 20 years old today. Went to Hyde Park. Had a good time. Oscar W. gave me his picture. Hazy but pleasant. My day off.

## Wednesday, October 25

Hazy. Received a letter from Fannie and Nellie And also from A. A. Knight. Ed Pottle was in here today.

# Thursday, October 26

Foggy and misty. Bought a bottle of ink, 5 cts.

#### Friday, October 27

Sunshine & Rain. J. Mckern is 22 today. Loaned C. H. B. two dollars.

## Saturday, October 28

Clear and cool.

#### Sunday, October 29

Clear and cool. Had 35 cts given to me. found a five dollar bill, gave it to Mr. Fogg.

# Monday, October 30

Clear and cool.

## Tuesday, October 31

Pleasant. My day off. Went to the Boston Theatre, paid 30 cts. Lorenzo Mathews was here today.

## **NOVEMBER 1871**

#### Wednesday, November 1

Rainy. Went down took a Bath this morning, paid 25 cts.

# Thursday, November 2

Clear and pleasant. Subscribed for a set of Stencils.

### Friday, November 3

Rufus Knight Is 65 years old today. Clear and pleasant. Paid 75 cts for a set of Stencils and a plate with my name engraved upon it.

## Saturday, November 4

Clear and cool. Jessie Billings was in yesterday, was on his way home. Manse Clark was here today. Received a letter from Sister Nellie.

## Sunday, November 5

Clear and cool. Paid 38 cts for a bottle of bitters. Wrote a letter to N. A. Drake today.

#### Monday, November 6

Clear and cool. Went out on errands twice today. Went over on Cambridge St. where C. White works the last time.

# Tuesday, November 7

Clear and cool. My day off. Had my fortune told for which I paid \$1.35 cts. G. N. C. paid me the \$5 dollars he borrowed Oct 16th.

# Wednesday, November 8

Clear and cool.

# Thursday, November 9

Wrote a letter to Nellie Knight today. Wm. Mathews was in today.

## Friday, November 10

Clear and cool.

#### Saturday, November 11

Clear and cool. Went to a fire corner of Sudberry and Hawkins St tonight.

#### Sunday, November 12

Clear and cool.

#### Monday, November 13

Clear and cool.

#### Tuesday, November 14

Warm, pleasant and hazy. H. E. Willis paid me twenty dollars today. C. H. B. paid me two dollars that he borrowed.

## Wednesday, November 15

Bought a knife at Auction, paid 50 cts. also bought a collar Button, 35 cts, last night.

# Thursday, November 16

J. E. Scruton was in the Saloon today.

#### Friday, November 17

H. E. Willis paid me \$17 dollars. Paid 3,00 dollars for a trunk, 50 cts for a neck tie, 30 cts for a box of collars. C. H. B. and myself Took the Boat for Camden.

#### Saturday, November 18

Arrived in Camden about half past ten. Came up with John Gordon. Clear and cool.

## Sunday, November 19

Clear and cool. Went to prayer meeting last night. Called on Aunt Ruth & M[illegible] Stetson. Carrie Thomas was at home this evening. Called in to see her, quite a company present.

## Monday, November 20

A. P. and myself went to Camden today. Got my trunk. Bought a <u>Suit of Clothes</u>, paid \$26[illegible].

### Tuesday, November 21

Carried some cider apples to mill today. Party at G. Moody's tonight. E. Towers colt ran away.

# Wednesday, November 22

Snow and rain. Staid at home this evening.

## Thursday, November 23

A. P. went down to Sylvanes. Went to the corner. Saw [illegible].

### Friday, November 24

Cold and cloudy. cut a little wood at the door. went to the corner this evening.

## Saturday, November 25

Rained last night. Clear and pleasant today.

#### Sunday, November 26

Went to the corner today.

### Monday, November 27

School commenced today.

#### Tuesday, November 28

Clear and cold. C. H. Billings sent for his trunk today. Party at James Moody's tonight.

# Wednesday, November 29

Clear and cold. Warner Tower went to Camden. Got some lace for Fannie.

#### Thursday, November 30

Went to a Ball at Lincolnville Centre. Spent \$1.20. Had quite a long talk with E. Watson. Clear and cold.

# **DECEMBER 1871**

### Friday, December 1

Clear and cold. John Cross died last night at the age of 65 years and days.

## Saturday, December 2

Clear and cold. went to the corner this evening. D. Pearse, J. Billings, C. H. Billings, A. W. Knight, A. P. Knight & C. W. Knight Mobbed Abner Dunton this evening.

# Sunday, December 3

Warmer and quite pleasant today. Went to John Crosses funeral. Went up to Crosses in the evening. Staid with E. Jones all night.

### Monday, December 4

Rained hard today. Went over to E. Watsons in company of E. Jones. Staid *[illegible]* there all day. Helen was there afternoon. Went home with her this evening, staid all night.

### Tuesday, December 5

Cold and squally. Went to School this forenoon. Sat with Nellie Cross. Took dinner at F. Moody's. Came down to the corner afternoon.

# Wednesday, December 6

Clear and cold. Went to School on a visit this afternoon. Went over to Aunt Ruth's this evening. Music by C. D. B. & G. E. D. Went home with Charles and Caro. Staid all night. F. M. went home with H. Cross.

# Thursday, December 7

Snow storm last night. clear and pleasant today. Wrote a letter to G. N. Cranford. C. H. B. went to Camden. Got his trunk.

#### Friday, December 8

Went down to B. Coltons this morning. clear and cool. Got my things out of C. H. Bs trunk today.

#### Saturday, December 9

Clear and cold. Stamped a couple of handkerchiefs with my name, J. Mathews got home today. Bought of B. R. one bottle hair oil 15 cts, one pair of cuffs 8 cts, half pound Resin 4 cts.

# Sunday, December 10

Looked very much like snow storm this morning. snowed quite hard afternoon. C. H. B. and myself called on Mrs. Drake, Mrs. Stetson, Mrs. Thomas And W. H. Knight. Went to prayer meeting in the evening.

# Monday, December 11

Went to school today. Went to a dance this evening at Billings Hall. Clear and pleasant.

# Tuesday, December 12

Clear and pleasant. Sarah Tower 16 today. Went to School today. Went to Boston today Wm. H. Mathews and family also C. D. B. & W. C. T. A. A. Knight and myself called on Mrs. Stetson & daughter this evening, played Euchre.

### Wednesday, December 13

Cool and cloudy. Went to School today. Bought a Grammar of F. B. Dunton, 20 cts. Went to Spelling School this evening, carried C. H. B. Paid A. C. Mathews 10 cts for candy.

#### Thursday, December 14

Commenced to Snow last night. Snowing today. J. Mathews carried Helen home last night. Went to School day. Spent my time in writing. Warren R. Stopped here last night.

#### Friday, December 15

Clear and pleasant. Paid B. R. 7 cts for a bottle of ink. Writing this forenoon, did not go to School. Wrote a letter to Nellie Cross.

# Saturday, December 16

Went to School today. Hazy and pleasant. Went to Camden tonight. Carried C. H. B., brought his father back with us. Staid with Charley B. all night.

#### Sunday, December 17

Clear and warm. Mrs. Cross called in this morning, gave me a letter from Nellie. Went down to Sylvanes today. A. P. & C. Knight went to the Beach this evening.

### Monday, December 18

Went to school today. Commenced to snow about noon. Father went to the Beach today.

#### **Tuesday, December 19**

Went to School today. Took tea with Charley Knight and mother. staid at the corner this evening. Mrs. Scrut<u>i</u>n was here visiting.

# Wednesday, December 20

Went to School today. Carried N. A. D. & Winnie Tolman to Spelling School this evening. Had a confidential talk with E. Watson. Clear & cool.

### Thursday, December 21

Thermometer 9 degrees below zero today. Went to School today.

#### Friday, December 22

Thermometer at zero today. Built a fire at the Schoolhouse this morning. Went to the corner this evening. Cloudy.

#### Saturday, December 23

Snow and sleet. A. P. went to the Beach today.

### Sunday, December 24

Rained hard last night. spoiled the sleighing. Clear & pleasant. Borrowed a book of Jessie Billings, spent most of the day in reading. Went to the corner this evening. Called on Aunt Ruth  $\underline{D}$  and Mrs. Stetson. Had the Blues.

#### Monday, December 25

Warm and foggy. cutting wood in the swamp forenoon at the door in the afternoon. C. D. Billings had a Christmas Ball this evening. did not dance. Loaned C. W. Knight \$1.25, D. P. 50 cts.

# Tuesday, December 26

Warm & Cloudy. Went to Belfast with D. Pearse & C. H. B. Bought an Arithmetic for 25 cts, Day Book & Ledger 20 cts each, And a Diary for 50 cts. Spent 35 cts at the Barbers for D. Pearse, 15 cts at the New England House.

## Wednesday, December 27

Snowed last night. Rained this morning. Cleared away quite pleasant. Staid with C. H. Billings last night. Went to School today.

# Thursday, December 28

Clear & Cool. A. P. Carried A. A. to Belfast this morning, got back at 8 Oclock A. M. A. A. took the cars for Augusta. Went to School today.

### Friday, December 29

Teachers Institute commenced at the Centre. Lecture in the evening. Clear and cool.

### Saturday, December 30

Teachers Institute at the Centre finished today. Was obliged to leave the Institute at recess in the forenoon on account of a severe cold & headache. Clear & Cold.

#### Sunday, December 31

Mrs. Levi Mathews Committed suicide by hanging herself today, 31st. Snow & rain. A. P. went to Camden after Dr. Thomas for S. C.s baby. Was confined to the house all day with sore throat and headache. C. H. B. went to Camden.

#### Composed and written by Arno Jan 1st 1872

Old Diary thy task is done Thou has done thy duty well A faithful record of '71 May you long live to tell

Thy pages are a history Noted from daily life To all but I a mystery Of a deep and constant strife

thy pages tell of visions flown Of dreams that have passed away Of sorrows and joys not all my own That over us all will play